

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Austin, Texas  
March 19, 2008

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully petition for a one month extension of time within which to respond to the February 8, 2008 outstanding Notification, such extension allowing the undersigned until April 8, 2008 to respond. Payment for the extension of time is being made via the USPTO EFS. The Commissioner is authorized to deduct any additional fees that may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 090461.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being electronically submitted to the COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS via EFS on March 19, 2008.

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